The Battleroad Regional Emergency Planning Committee was formed in the spring of 2006 with member communities of Lexington, Arlington, Belmont and Bedford. The committee is charged with complying with the SARA Title III legislation of 1986. Today this committee is comprised of the founding members plus, Watertown, Brookline and Burlington. A milestone was reached in October of 2007 with the attainment of startup certification; the goal is to reach full certification within the near future.

In order for the committee to reach full certification, several action items have to be completed which include; each community updating its own Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan, develop an hazardous materials response plan, exercise the plan, and finally have a central location for hazardous material handlers to register.

Meeting regularly the committee is progressing toward meeting all of its goals. For more information on REPC's please go to the <u>mass.gov</u> website.